

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite claim 1 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(i), as follows:

--1. (Thrice Amended) A process for the production of a buckling resistant stove-finished structural component from a cold strip which comprises ageing-sensitive steel with a high bake-hardening potential, characterized in that

- the cold strip is converted by temper rolling to a yield point elongation-free state in which the condition  $R_{eh} - R_{el} < 2 \text{ N/mm}^2$  is met,
- the cold strip is then stored at storage temperature below room temperature for a storage period whose length is at most equal to the length of the period at whose end the value of critical ageing is reached which results in dependence on the particular storage temperature,
- the cold strip is cold worked to give a structural component, and
- the structural component is stove-finished.--

A marked up version of the amended claim is enclosed with this Amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(ii).